Ai !
COME NOW GREET BIZEN-SENSEI PROPERLY
HELLO, AI-SAN
OJII-SAMA.....
SO YOU WERE IN THIS PLACE?
.....
YOU'RE THE CHOTEI HOSPI-- TAL DOCTOR, RIGHT?
I HEARD ABOUT YOU FROM OJII-SAMA.
THAT EVEN THOUGH YOU'RE YOUNG YOU'RE AN AMAZING DOCTOR
YOU'RE DOING RE- SEARCH ON VARI OUS SICKNESSES AND LIVING THINGS
THAT'S JUST GREAT

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THE WORKERS FOUND THIS WHILE DIGGING UNDERGROUND
I'VE BEEN STUDYING UNTIL NOW...
MATHEMATICS THERMODY-NAMICS QUANTUM ME-CHANICS.....
BUT THIS, I DON T KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT...
I TRIED TO PROCESS THE STOM-ACH BUT...
THE MORE I LOOK THE MORE I DON'T UNDER-STAND
THIS FEELING, IT'S THE FIRST TIME....

RIGHT NOW
I'M,
FEELING SO ELATED....

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BY THE WORST KIND OF HUMAN
TWO-BOD-IES....
WAS IT LIKE YOU OR SOETHING ELSE?

AH! SHE WAS SUPER CUTE!~
SHE HAD THIS KIND OF FORM
I'M NOT INTO THAT KIND OF THING...
WOOW!

WE WERE ALWAYS TOGETHER
FOR 100 YEARS, FOR 1000 YEARS
I'VE SPENT ETERNITY WITH HER.....

IN THE BE-GINNING, THAT TWO-BODIED MONSTER....
WAS DISCOVERED BY THOSE HUMANS

THE TWO OF US HAVE ALWAYS LIVED ON THIS ISLAND
I DON'T KNOW HOW LONG WE'VE BEEN HERE
I DON'T KNOW WHERE WE CAME FROM OR WHO WE ARE
I JUST KNOW THAT WE'VE ALWAYS HAD EACH OTHER

WHAT DO YOU THINK A LESS POWERFUL PREDATOR SHOULD DO TO HUNT SAFELY...?
...?
OF COURSE, THERE ARE STILL TIMES WHEN PEOPLE WASH UP ON THIS ISLAND
HEY, UT-SUT-SU-KUN...
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IT'S SIMPLE REALLY
IT SHOULD MIMIC THE TARGET ITSELF
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MIMIC....?

USING A CELL UNIT THEY CAN COMPLETELY TURN INTO A MEMBER OF THE ECOSYS-TEM
WELL, ON THE SUR-FACE ANY-WAYS....

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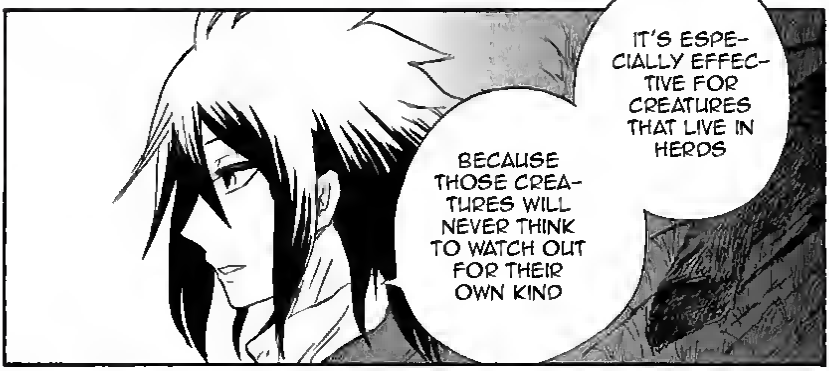
IT'S ESPECIALLY EFFECTIVE FOR CREATURES THAT LIVE IN HERDS
BECAUSE THOSE CREATURES WILL NEVER THINK TO WATCH OUT FOR THEIR OWN KIND

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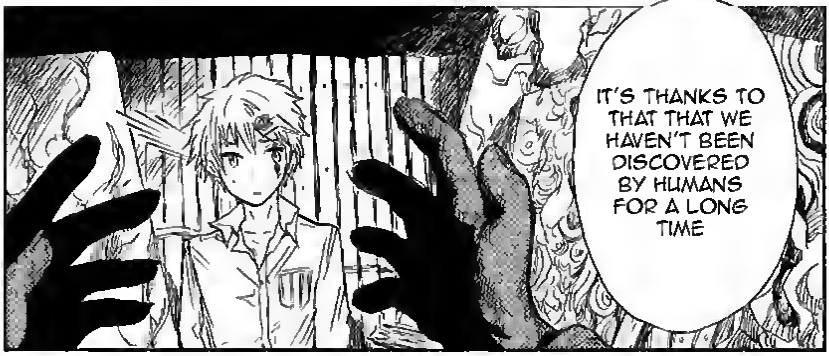
IT'S THANKS TO THAT THAT WE HAVEN'T BEEN DISCOVERED BY HUMANS FOR A LONG TIME

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BAD TASTE, HUH?
IT'S REGRETTABLE THAT YOU THINK THAT WAY CONSIDERING YOU HUMANS KILL EACH OTHER ALL THE TIME

THAT'S NOT LIVING...
THAT'S JUST BAD TASTE

SOON WE DISCOVERED THAT USING THE POWER WE ACCUMU-LATE
WE CAN THROW AWAY OUR SHELL AND EVOLVE INTO OUR TRUE FORM
THEN AFTER YOU EXCHANGE A PLEDGE
IN THE DEEP DARK-NESS YOU FALL INTO SLEEP AND START ALL OVER AGAIN FROM A LARVA STATE

BUT THAT DAY 30 YEARS AGO...
WAS THE END OF OUR ETER-NITY....

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FOR DECADES WE WERE CHOPPED UP AND SUBMERGED IN DRUGS
WE WHO CANNOT WAKE UP FROM SLEEP WERE SUITABLE TOYS FOR THEM

IT WAS HELL....
HEY, YUU...
THE PERSON WHO DISECTED YOU....
COULD IT BE...
IT WAS MARIA.
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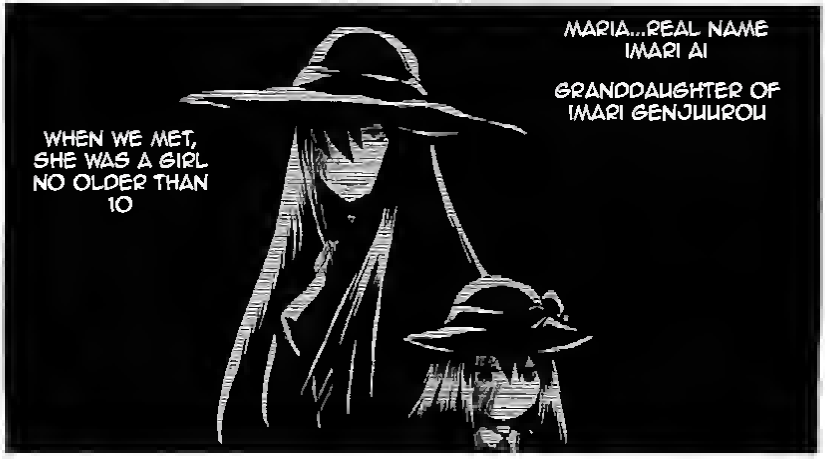
MARIA...REAL NAME IMARI AI
GRANDDAUGHTER OF IMARI GENJUUROU
WHEN WE MET, SHE WAS A GIRL NO OLDER THAN 10

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THE FRAGMENTS OF THE TRUTH...
ONE BY ONE
THEY APPEAR, AND THEN FADE AWAY
THE PEOPLE WHO DISSECTED YOU, THE "IMARI ISHIN FACILITY"...
WAS ORIGINALLY MADE BY IMARI GENJUUROU FOR MARIA TO USE AS A RESEARCH FACILITY
OF COURSE THEY KNEW ABOUT "PUPA"

ONE BY ONE THE POINTS LINE UP
AND CONNECT IN A LINE
AND BEGIN TO TAKE A SHAPE THAT I KNOW
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AND....
PUPA
THE TWO-BODIED MONSTER
EMERGING
MARIA
THE IMARI ISHIN FACILITY
RED BUTTERFLIES

I HAVE THE FEELING WE'LL SEE SOME HORRIBLE TRUTH
IF IT'S CONNECTED TO US
THAT LINE....

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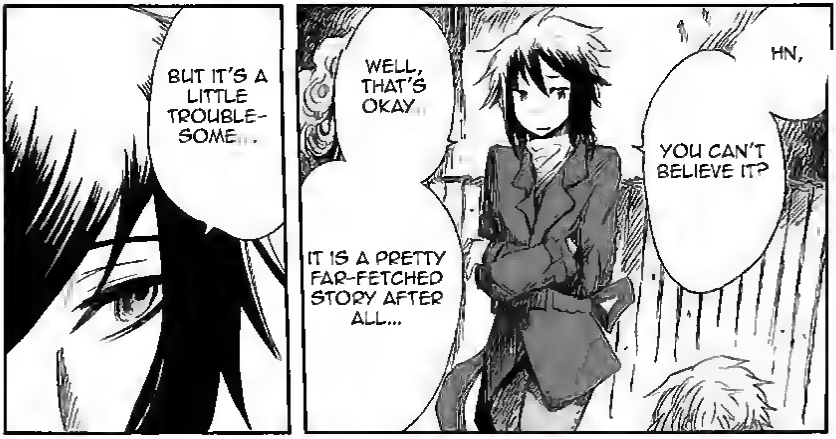
BUT...
THAT'S JUST...
BUT...
I WANT TO CLOSE MY EARS...


BUT IT'S A LITTLE TROUBLESOME...
WELL, THAT'S OKAY...
IT IS A PRETTY FAR-FETCHED STORY AFTER ALL...
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YOU CAN'T BELIEVE IT?

IT WOULD BE EASY FOR ME TO BECOME A MONSTER BUT...
WITH THIS BORROWED BODY IT'S IMPOSSIBLE...
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RIGHT NOW THERE IS NO ONE ELSE TO PROVE MY STORY...
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EH……?
YOU'RE THE BROTHER OF MY IMPORTANT PERSON.
SO I DION'T WANT TO DO SOMETHING SO ROUGH...

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IF I MESS WITH THE WRONG PLACE、
IT WILL BE BAD
PLEASE DON'T MOVE
WHA…
THIS POWER…!
IT'S CLEARLY NOT HUMAN…!

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WHAT... ARE...
YOU - DOING...?
DON'T MOVE
BECAUSE I DIDN'T WANT TO HAVE TO DO THIS

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I'M PUTTING MY MEMORIES DIRECTLY INTO YOUR BRAIN FROM HERE...
I KNOW THE STRUCTURE OF A NORMAL HUMAN'S BRAIN
WHAT IS THIS...? HIS VOICE IS INSIDE MY HEAD...
AH...?

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AH
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SOME-
THING ..
IS..
SOME

LOOK BI-ZEN-SEN-SEI
EVERY TIME THEY GROW THEIR RE-SILIENCE IN-CREASES
THEY HAVE AN ABILITY TO MIMIC TOO
AND THEY COPY THEIR PREY'S GENES TO SAFELY IMPER-SONATE THEM
AND WHEN THEY SHOW THEIR TRUE FORM, IT'S REALLY PRETTY...
LIKE A PUPA BE-COMING A BUT-TERFLY
PUPA...
THAT'S RIGHT. I'LL CALL THEM PUPA

RIGHT, BI-ZEN-SENSEI?
I'VE BEEN THINKING...
THESE GUYS ARE JUST ABOUT AT THE LIMIT..HUH
THAT IF I USED THESE GUYS' CELLS TO MAKE A VIRUS...
IT WOULD BE VERY IN-TERESTING, DON'T YOU THINK?
WHAT WAS THAT...
!?

AND YOU'RE DISPOSING OF MY EXPERI-MENTS.....
BUT THE PUPA RESEARCH IS MINE!
YOU'RE REMOVING ME FROM THE 'MARI ISHIN FA-CILITY.!?
BRING THEM TO MY LAB
HOTOK!
TAKE CARE OF THESE GUYS...
WON'T.... LET...
ANY...MORE
I WON'T..... LET

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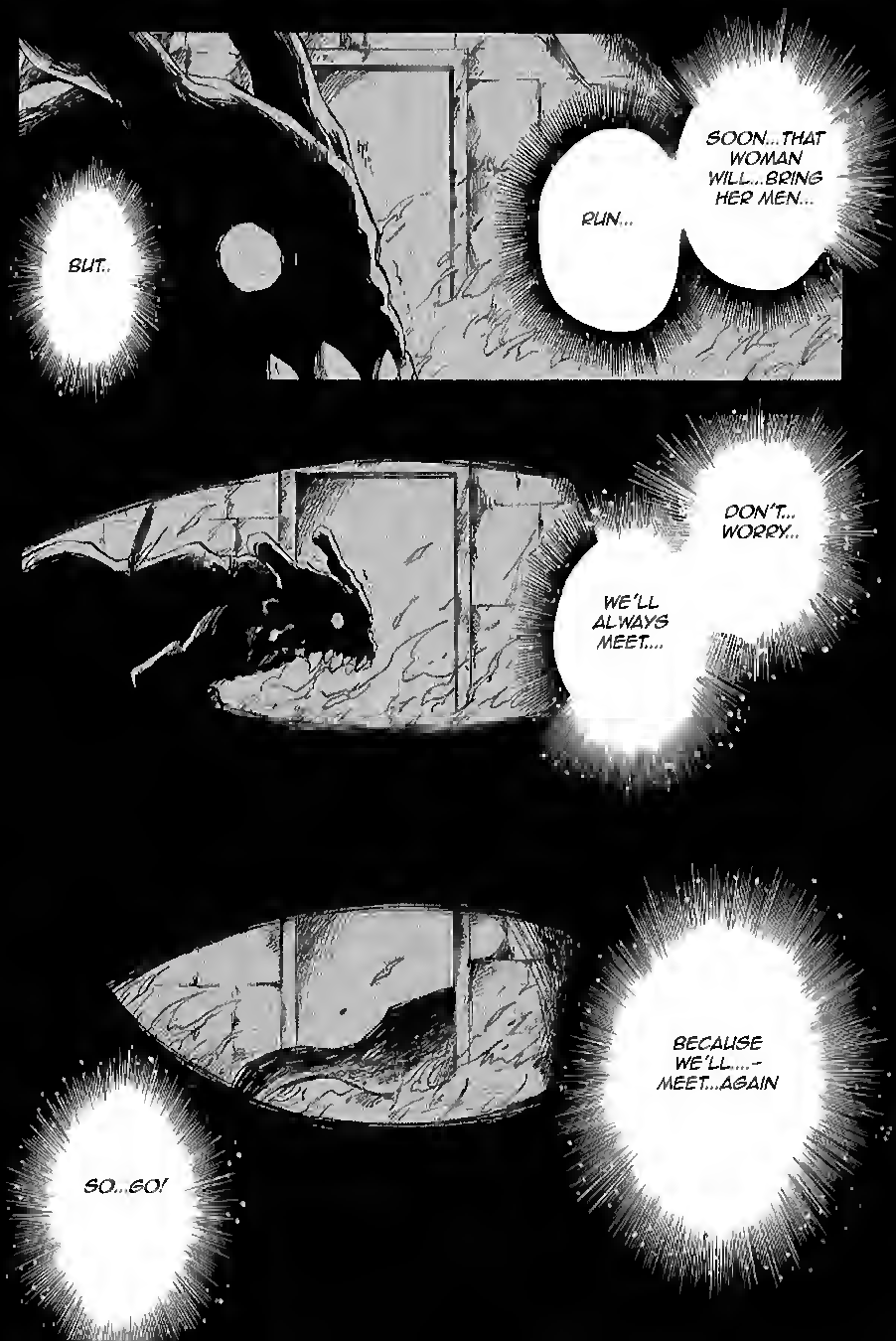
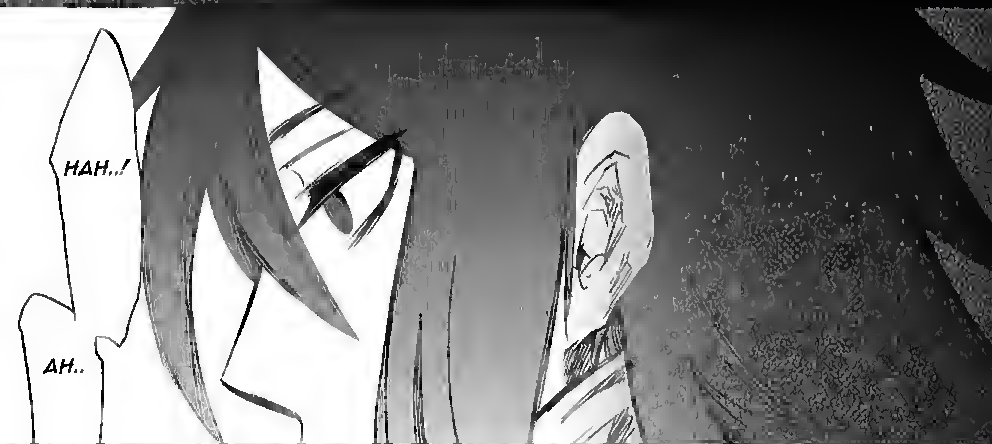
ARE YOU OK...?
SOME-HOW...YOU?
IT SEEMS THAT I CAN'T MOVE ANY-MORE
NO...!


BUT..
RUN...
SOON...THAT WOMAN WILL...BRING HER MEN...
DON'T... WORRY...
WE'LL ALWAYS MEET....
SO...GO!
BECAUSE WE'LL....- MEET...AGAIN

I'LL BE WAITING...



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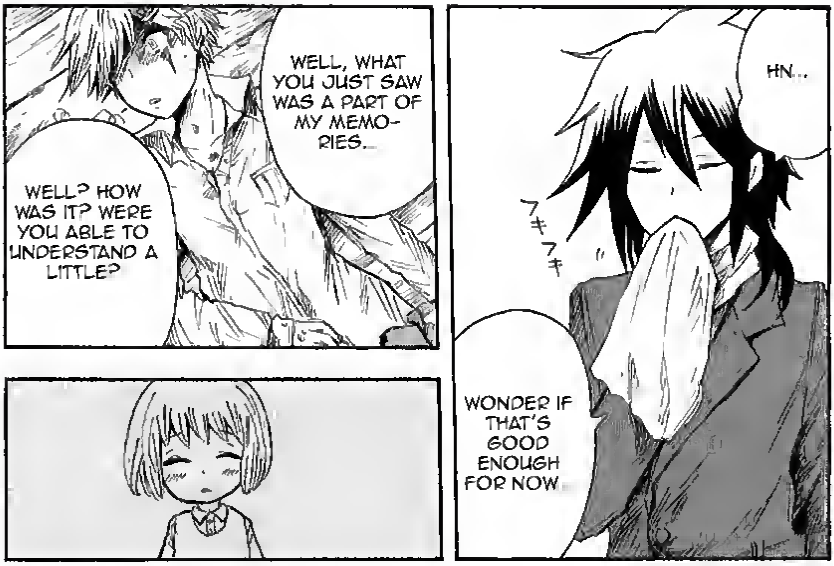
WELL, WHAT YOU JUST SAW WAS A PART OF MY MEMO-RIES...
WELL? HOW WAS IT? WERE YOU ABLE TO UNDERSTAND A LITTLE?
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WONDER IF THAT'S GOOD ENOUGH FOR NOW...

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YOU'RE WRONG...
SINCE YUME WAS BORN WE'VE ALWAYS BEEN TOGETHER...
SAYING THAT YUME TURNED INTO YOUR PRECIOUS PER-SON.. WHAT BAD TIMING...!

WAKE UP SLEEPY-HEAD
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!?
...IT CAN'T BE

LOOK
A PRETTY BUTTERFLY
I WONDER IF IT'S LOST?
MY, HASEGAWA-SAN YOU SURE ARE HAPPY TODAY...
THAT'S BECAUSE IT'S BIZEN-SENSEI'S DAY TO VISIT
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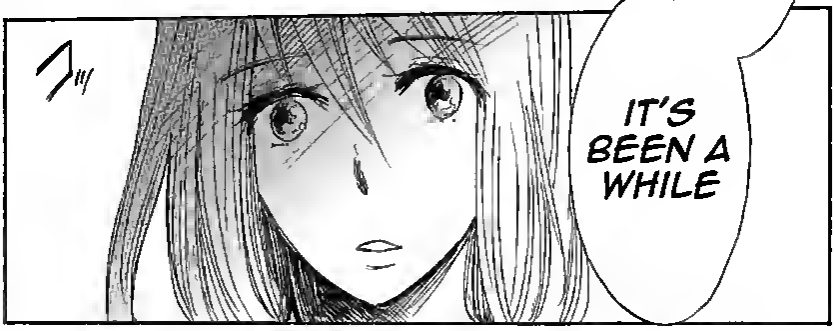
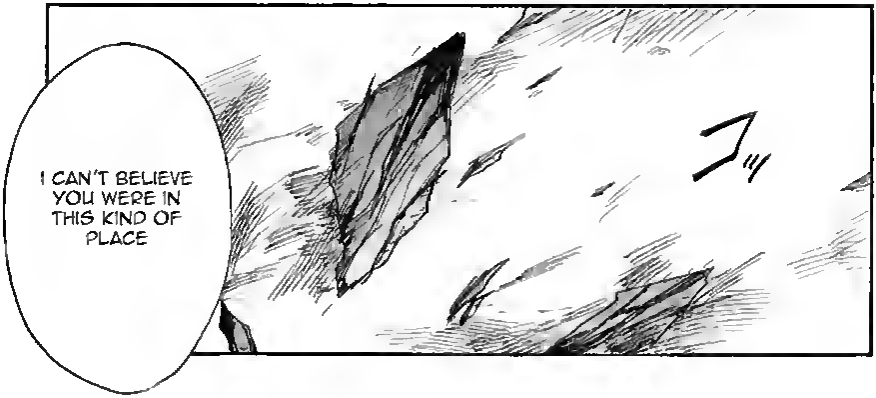
YO, SACHI-KO


IT'S BEEN A WHILE




I CAN'T BELIEVE YOU WERE IN THIS KIND OF PLACE

I'VE GOT SOME THINGS I WANT TO ASK YOU
YOU UNDER-STAND WHAT I MEAN, RIGHT?

HEYOOO~ ASUNYA AGAIN! CHAPTER 15 HERE AND BOY THIS TOOK A LONG TIME, WELL YOU KNOW HOW IT IS...BUSY BUSY MONTH XD ANYWAYS I HOPE YOU ENJOY AND CAN UNDERSTAND BECAUSE THIS WAS PRETTY DIFICULT TO TRANSLATE!! AND AS ALWAYS THANKS FOR YOUR ENCOURAGING EMAILS, THEY KEEP ME GOING!!

ASUNYA

AND THIS TIME, I TRIED TO MAKE THE IMAGES A LITTLE BETTER!

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